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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents (International Search Report for PCT/JP2004/010214 dated November 16, 2004), together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office. Additionally, Applicants submit herewith English language Abstracts for JP 8-333408, JP 60-188408, JP 61-207413, JP 61-286348, JP 3-224132, JP 9-183880, JP 10-212261, JP 2002-234860 and JP 2003-119204.

Also, U.S. Patent Nos. 6,103,843 and 6,482,882 correspond to JP 9-183880, U.S. Patent No. 5,663,251 claims priority from JP 8-333408, U.S. Patent No. 4,529,781 claims priority from JP 60-188408, U.S. Patent Nos. 5,182,132 and 5,443,888 correspond to JP 3-224132, U.S. Patent No. 4,564,661 claims priority from JP 61-207413, EP 0 191 605 corresponds to JP 61-228008 and U.S. Patent No. 5,763,552 corresponds to JP 10-212261.

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